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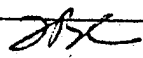
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MEMORANDUM TO THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND
ESTABLISHMENTS

FROM: JOSEPH R. WRIGHT, JR., DEPUTY DIRECTOR *J. R. Wright*

SUBJECT: Executive Order 12352 on Federal Procurement Reforms, A
Reform '88 Program

Executive Order 12352 on Federal Procurement Reforms, March 17, 1982 tasked each executive agency and department to initiate specific reforms to insure effective and efficient spending of public funds. These specific reforms are a part of the Reform '88 management program on which you report progress to this Office quarterly. Among the reforms prescribed in Section I of the Executive Order were the following:

- o Paragraph (c) directed that the heads of executive agencies "ensure timely satisfaction of mission needs at reasonable prices by establishing criteria to improve the effectiveness of procurement systems...",
- o Paragraph (d) directed that the heads of executive agencies "establish criteria for enhancing effective competition and limiting noncompetitive actions...", and
- o Paragraph (i) directed that the "procurement executive with agency-wide responsibility to oversee development of procurement systems, evaluate system performance in accordance with approved criteria ... and certify to the agency head that procurement systems meet approved criteria...."

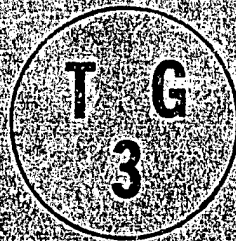
To assist you in implementing these reforms, the Executive Committee on Federal Procurement Reforms, a group whose membership includes representatives from the eight largest Federal agencies engaged in the procurement of products and services from the private sector, has formulated the attached booklet, "Guidance for Developing Criteria to Evaluate/Certify Procurement Systems and to Enhance Competition." These are not mandatory standards. Rather, these are model criteria to be tailored to each agency's individual requirements.

I recommend these guidelines to you as useful tools in carrying out the procurement reforms with which the President has tasked each agency and look for your continued assistance and support to improve and refine the procurement process as a part of our overall objective of modernizing and simplifying Government operations under the Reform '88 program.

Attachment



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**GUIDANCE FOR DEVELOPING
CRITERIA
TO
EVALUATE/CERTIFY PROCUREMENT SYSTEMS
AND TO
ENHANCE COMPETITION**

PREPARED BY TASK GROUP NO. 3

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL PROCUREMENT REFORM**

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